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### A MEMORIAL

HONORING REPRESENTATIVE REBECCA DOW AND RECOGNIZING HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, Representative Rebecca Dow, a Republican, is a strong voice representing her constituents in district 38, covering Grant, Hidalgo and Sierra counties; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow, a resident of Truth or Consequences, is in her third term of office and was first elected in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow currently serves as a member of the house commerce and economic development committee and the house education committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow also serves as a member of the New Mexico legislative council and as an advisor and designee on numerous interim committees; and

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WHEREAS, Representative Dow currently holds the leadership position of women's caucus secretary and was the house Republican caucus chair from 2020 to 2022 and the women's caucus treasurer from 2019 to 2021; and

WHEREAS, the welfare of children and education have always been at the forefront of Representative Dow's advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow was the policy chair of the New Mexico child care and education association, the founder of the boys and girls club of Sierra county and the founding chair of the Sierra county juvenile justice advisory council and served on Governor Susanna Martinez's business friendly task force and the children, youth and families and health and human services transition teams, as well as on the early learning advisory council; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow received the 2008 governor's award for outstanding New Mexico women, the leadership award from the national child care association, the pioneers in New Mexico pre-kindergarten award and the Rio Grande award for excellence in youth services from the community foundation of southern New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow received an associate's degree in early childhood education from Tulsa community college and a bachelor of arts degree in business management from Oral Roberts university; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow is a former early child care .222781.1

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professional and a lifelong advocate for early childhood programs and child care services; and

WHEREAS, in her legislative positions, Representative Dow addresses the state's high unemployment rate, low education ranking and chronic child welfare issues; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow supports spaceport America, located in Sierra county, and strengthening border enforcement policies; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dow is seeking the Republican nomination for governor in 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition be extended to Representative Rebecca Dow for her service and leadership to New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to Representative Rebecca Dow.

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